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| Application Number | 10/774,721 | Filed February 9, 2004 |
| For | Oligonucleotides which inhibit expression of the OB-RGRP protein and method for detecting compounds which modify the interaction between proteins of the OB-RGRP family and the leptin receptor | |
| Art Unit | 1635 | Examiner WOLLENBERGER, Louis V. |

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

| | | <u>Fee</u> | <u>Small Entity Fee</u> | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$ 130 | \$65 | \$ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$ 490 | \$245 | \$490.00 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$ 1,730 | \$865 | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$ 2,350 | \$1175 | \$ |

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number **18-1982**.

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- I am the ☐ Applicant/inventor.
- ☐ Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (form PTO/SB/96).
- ☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 38,508 (Customer No. **005487**).
- ☐ attorney or agent of record under 37 CFR 1.34. (Customer No. **005487**).
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